

Student Radio Commended On Initial Broadcast

Numerous congratulatory telegrams and messages, several from such well-known radio personalities as Don McNeil, Paul Whiteman, and Arthur Godfrey were received at Campus Radio station WNTC, Wednesday evening, for the formal opening.

The telegrams were read during the latter part of the program along with special recordings including one done especially for the Clarkson College-Potsdam State Teachers College radio station by Paul Whiteman entitled "Salute To WNTC".

The first part of the opening broadcast called "WNTC—On The Air", originated from the Teachers College auditorium where announcer John Dacey introduced Jess H. Davis, president of Clarkson College, and Nick Sfikas, station manager. Sfikas read a special message from Dr. Frederick Crumb, president of the Teachers College, who was unable to attend the broadcast because of out-of-town business. Music was provided by The Pastels, a campus orchestra.

A switch back to the broadcasting studios in the Clarkson College executive building was made for the second portion of the program.

There Dick Feldman introduced William Moonan, assistant station manager and Mary Smith, station secretary, who described how the station originated.

They also revealed that future programs will include both classical and popular music, sports events, dramatic presentations, concerts and many special campus activities. As to the future, they explained that a permanent studio will be located in the small building behind the Crane House on Elm Street. Work will be started there this week.

The concluding portion of the program was a salute to the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System and college radio stations throughout the nation. The congratulatory telegrams and messages received from college stations and other radio representatives were read between the playing of college songs. The Whiteman record concluded the program.

At the present time, 92 students have been voted members of the station by the executive board. The seven student officers, who comprise the executive board are Nick Sfikas, station manager; Bill Moonan, assistant station manager; Mary Smith, secretary; Gene Mueller, program chairman; Frank Bradley, engineering chairman; Dan Weinberg, business chairman; and Ronald Elliott, publicity chairman.

As a member of the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System, the new carrier-current station is the eighth station to go on the IBS New York State Region. The IBS is composed of a number of similar college stations which exchange programs and other information through the central organization. Radio station KSLU at St. Lawrence University is also an IBS member.

Construction on the permanent studios, to be located behind the

Crane House on Elm Street, was delayed by the cold weather, Sfikas explained. The present studio is located in rooms allocated Clarkson student publications, and construction on the new studio will begin shortly.

The two-hour broadcast schedule will be increased as the students gain in experience and it is planned to broadcast concerts, athletic contests and other special events, from the Teachers College, Civic Center and athletic fields.